

RUSHVILLE CITY UTILITIES
601 W 3RD St.
Rushville, IN 46173

Minutes of the Utility Board Meeting, March 17, 2010
The Utility Board met in Council Chambers @ 6:00 P.M.

Board Members Present:

Michael Singleton
Paul D. Smith
Tim Sheehan
Phillip Starkey

Board Member Absent:

Joseph Malcom

Others present:

Les Day	Facility Manager
Gina Jenkins	Office Manager
Ron Wilson	City Attorney
Mervyn Bostic	Mayor
Jeff Peters	Wessler & Associates

Michael Singleton called the meeting to order.

Roll Call was taken. All board members were present except Joseph Malcom.

Paul D. Smith motioned to approve the board minutes from the February 17, 2010 meeting and the March 4, 2010 special meeting. Phillip Starkey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Les Day reviewed the financial reports for the month of February 2010. The Water Utility showed a net profit of \$23,485.13 for the month and a net profit of \$75,429.15 for the year-to-date. The Wastewater Utility showed a net profit of \$29,752.76 for the month, and a net profit of \$54,204.47 for the year-to-date.

Les Day reviewed the Operating reports for the month of February. The Water Operating report showed no N.P.D.E.S. violations for the month. There were 27.53 million gallons of water pumped, with 22.68 million gallons of water treated. The unaccounted loss of water was at 24.0% per cent, for the month of February. Water plant personnel responded to 11 service calls for billings and customer requests. There were 16 customers requests to check for leaks. There was 1 line inspection. There were 17 line locates. There were 40 connects and 43 disconnects, for the month, with the total customers being 2,981.

The Operating Report for Wastewater showed no N.P.D.E.S. violations, for the month. There were 47.17 million gallons of wastewater treated, for the month. It was reported that there was a total of 1.41 inches of precipitation, for the month. There were 4 sewer complaints checked. There were 1,500 feet of sewer mains cleaned. 7,700 gallons of septic sludge was accepted for the month of February. There were no sewer taps made for the month. There was no dye tests ran. The sewer camera was in the storm sewer behind police department for IDEM.

Gina Jenkins told the board that there had been a problem with some mailing addresses on the new billing, but that Boyce Systems has hopefully resolved them. Also, Gina gave the board members a summary of the annexation customers who are still paying their installation fees. All four customers are up to date with their payments.

Michael Singleton told the board that he spoke to Ann Copley, Rushville Clerk-Treasurer, about a \$14.00 monthly charge that we have been paying to Wells Fargo bank. Ann told Michael that she has moved the account to MainSource bank, and that Rushville City Utilities should not have this charge anymore.

Michael also mentioned to everyone that he would like to have an evening workshop with all of the board members, Les Day and Gina Jenkins to discuss possible re-organization of work being done at Rushville City Utilities.

Jeff Peters from Wessler & Associates spoke to the board concerning the water mains relocation. Jeff told the board that INDOT will not start the State Rd. 52 project, until the State Rd. 3 project is completed. The board members asked Les Day how much money has been paid out for engineering costs so far for the State Rd. 3 project. Les told them that Rushville City Utilities has spent \$47,000.00 to date. The approximate total cost is \$85,000.00. This amount is for water only. It does not include the waste water portion.

Les Day updated the board members concerning the water softeners repair. He is waiting for the bacteria samples to come in on March 18th, and that the salt is also supposed to be delivered on March 18th. The supplier for the salt is Cargill Salt in Cincinnati, Ohio and that the cost per ton is \$100.90. This price includes delivery.

Les then told the board members that the environmental tests passed for the new property located at 450 East US Hwy 52.

Michael Singleton then told the other board members that Tim Yazel from Remax had sent him the title work for the property.

Gina Jenkins then asked the board to make a decision concerning the customers who are going to be allowed to receive a summer sprinkling credit for 2010. The pilot program last year only included customers that had outside meters the previous year or any customer that installed a new pool or hot tub. Phillip Starkey motioned to approve limiting this credit to the customers that were on summer sprinkling last year and any customer that installs a pool or hot tub in the future. Tim Sheehan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Les spoke to the board about the new city employees' insurance for 2010. He explained that the employees who chose the HSA (Health Savings Account) were having money deposited into their accounts by the City of Rushville. These amounts are \$1,000.00 for single accounts and \$2,500.00 for family accounts. The total cost to Rushville City Utilities is \$13,000.00 for the year for employees. The City of Rushville is putting money into employee's accounts quarterly. The board recommended that Rushville City Utilities also deposits the money quarterly.

Les told the board that employee, Leroy Frazier, approached him and asked for a raise in pay, due to the fact that he is now running the back hoe when needed. After discussion, the board decided not to give Leroy the raise because it would not be fair to the other employees.

Michael Singleton had checked the claims for the month of February. Phillip Starkey motioned to approve the claims. Tim Sheehan seconded the motion. The motion carried.

There was an adjustment for Tim Todd at 220 W. 3rd Street in the amount of \$854.68, and also an adjustment for the American Legion at 113 S. Morgan Street in the amount of \$571.65. All required paperwork was presented for both adjustments. Paul D. Smith motioned to approve these adjustments. Phillip Starkey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Phillip Starkey motioned to adjourn the meeting. Paul D. Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.